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May 11, 1970

Mr. William B. Lewis Chairman of the Board The American Cancer Society 219 East 42nd Street New York, New York

Dear Mr. Lewis:

I have just read the correspondence between the Tobacco Institute and The American Cancer Society published Sunday, May 3, 1970 in the New York Time's "The Week In Review", page 16.

In respect to The American Cancer Society's brilliant research studies, and the Tobacco Institute's need to defend their industry, I feel something as vital as the Auerbach-Hammond data should be made publically known as soon as possible. Especially in light of a statement that could paralyze an industry without facts to back it up. I believe the offer of an impartial review, with members subject to rejection by The American Cancer Society is just and fair in the event The American Cancer Society does not make this information public knowledge after such a harsh and damaging announcement.

For you to state that the Tobacco Institute repeat the research when you already have the information is both time and money wasting, with time being the more important of the two. It could be considered an avoidance of your responsibility to the American public, who financed the research, and to the Tobacco Institute in condemning them indirectly.

Please, sir, make this information available immediately.

Sincerely.

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